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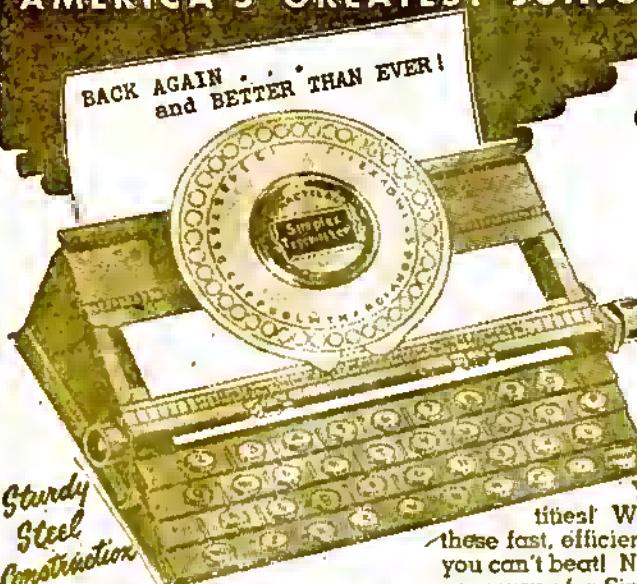
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AIN'T I? BUT THE
SWITCH WON'T
OPEN! I GUESS IT'S
GOODBYE, BUGGSY!
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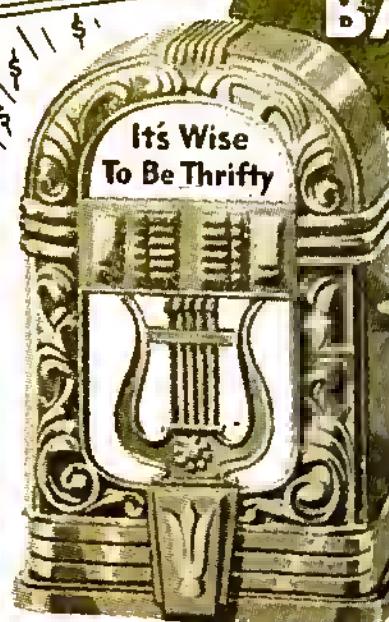
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JOHN ROSS

THE MAGICIAN-



HE COULD FOOL EVERYBODY BUT THE POLICE! AS ELUSIVE A CRIMINAL AS EVER DECORATED AN ELECTRIC CHAIR!

JOHN
ROSS
DIED IN
ELECTRIC
CHAIR
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LOOK, JOHNNY—HAVE A HEART. WILL YA? WE KNOW YOU'RE A TRICKY GUY AND YOU LOVE A GAG—SWELL SO DO WE, BUT THIS IS CARRYIN' THEATRICS TOO FAR! TO SHOW YOU WE KNOW WHAT A GOOD SHOT YOU ARE, WE'LL GIVE YOU EVERYTHING WE OWN—EVERYTHING—if YOU CALL THE SHOW OFF! C'MON, GIVE US A BREAK, JOHNNY!

DON'T LET HIM CON YOU, JOHNNY! THESE PUNKS ARE ALL ALIKE! THEY'LL BEG WHEN THEY'RE DOWN, BUT STEP ON YOU WHEN THEY'VE HALF A CHANCE! GO ON, JOHNNY—SHOW 'EM JUST HOW CUTE YOU CAN BE!

STOP BAWLIN', TONY—YOU MIGHT DROWN IN YOUR OWN TEARS! OKAY, OKAY—NOW GET GOIN'—TELL YOUR PUNK BROTHER TO ROW TO THE MIDDLE OF THE LAKE! I'M GIVING YOU A SPORTING CHANCE! WHEN I YELL 'DIVE', YOU DIVE! AND IF I CAN'T PLUG YOU BEFORE YOU HIT THE WATER, YOU'RE FREE! AINT THAT GENEROUS ENOUGH FOR YOU?

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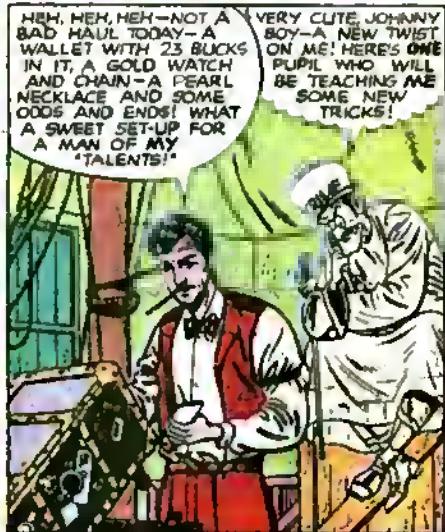


A "CUTIE", IN GANGSTER TALK, IS A FELLOW WITH A BACK-HANDED SENSE OF HUMOR, WHO WILL USE ANY UNORTHODOX TRICK TO SHOW THE NEXT MUG UP! A "CUTIE" DEVELOPS A KEEN STYLE OF EVASION TO MAKE UP FOR A MEDIOCRO ABILITY! A "CUTIE" REPORTS TO TRICKS THAT A NICE GUY NEVER SUSPECTS! JOHNNY ROSS WAS REALLY A "CUTIE"!

IN
CONSIDERATION
OF INNOCENT
PEOPLE INVOLVED
AND RELATIVES OF
OTHERS, THE NAMES
OF SOME CHARACTERS
DEPICTED IN THIS TRUE
MAGAZINE ARE
FICTIONAL.
The editor

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THEY SAY A MAGICIAN IS ALWAYS THE LIFE OF A PARTY—FULL OF TRICKS AND HAPPY SURPRISES! THEY ALWAYS ATTRACT FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS—LIGHT-HEARTED PEOPLE WHO LOVE A GOOD CHUCKLE! BUT I KNEW ONE MAGICIAN, JOHN ROSS BY NAME, WHOM MOST PEOPLE AVOIDED LIKE ARSENIC! FOR HIS HUMOR HAD A TWISTED GRIN AND HIS SLY TRICKS WERE A COVER FOR HIS VICTIOUS PURPOSES!



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HMPH! NOT MUCH OF A START FOR A NEW PUPIL OF MINE—FOUR YEARS IN THE PEN! BUT TO JOHNNY ROSS, IT WAS JUST A STEP IN HIS CLIMB UP THE CROOKED LADDER OF CRIME!

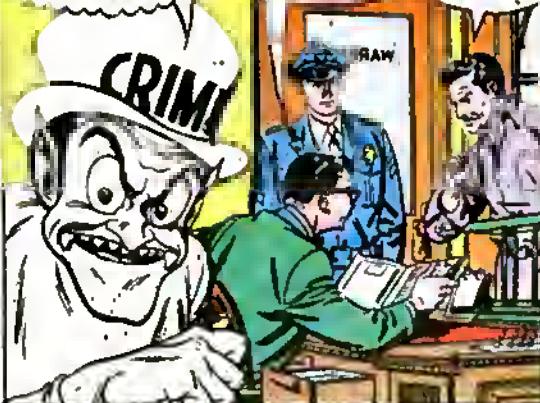
ROSS, YOUR RECORD SHOWS THAT YOU WERE A PROFESSIONAL MAGICIAN! HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP US PUT ON A SHOW FOR THE MEN THIS WEEKEND?

I'D LIKE IT, WARDEN! IN MY PROFESSION, YOU GOTTA STAY IN PRACTICE OR YOU LOSE YOUR TOUCH!

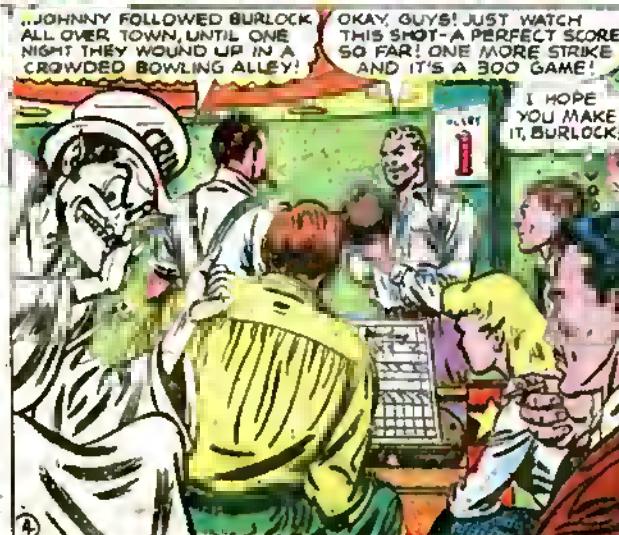
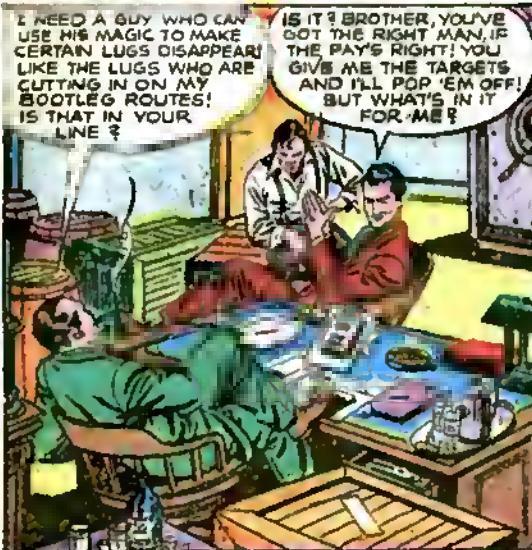
HEH, HEH, JOHNNY—THE WAY YOU WOOWED THOSE CONS WAS A SIGHT TO BEHOLD!

ALL RIGHT, GENTLEMEN—AND NOW I WILL EXHIBIT MY PROWESS WITH FIREARMS! IN THE THEATER, THIS STUNT WAS DONE WITH A .22 CALIBER PISTOL, BUT THE WARDEN INSISTED I USE AN AIR PISTOL THIS TIME! I WONDER WHY, HMM?

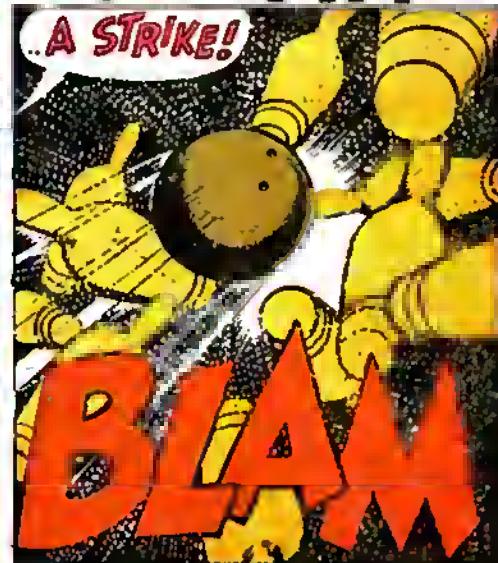
HA, HA, HA! YEAH—I WONDER!



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WITHIN A SHORT WHILE,
JOHNNY'S REPUTATION
HAD SPREAD BEYOND THE
AWE-STRICKEN EARS OF
THE UNDERWORLD!

LOOK AT THIS
WRECKAGE! THIS
GUY MUST'VE BEEN
DOING SIXTY OR
BETTER WHEN HE
WAS PLUGGED! WHO-
EVER BLASTED HIM
WAS NOTHING LESS
THAN A SHARP-
SHOOTER! RIGHT?

EYES!

ONLY A PROFESSIONAL
SHOT COULD DO
THAT—WHICH MAKES
IT LOOK LIKE THE
WORK OF JOHN
ROSS! WE'LL HAVE
TO GET MORE
EVIDENCE ON HIM.
HE'S BEEN
REPORTING
TO THE PAROLE
BOARD!

JOHNNY—I'VE
REALLY GOT TO
HAND IT TO YOU!
YOU'RE THE BEST
TORPEDO IN THE
BUSINESS! WITH
YOU AROUND, MY
COMPETITION'S
BEEN GETTIN'
THINNER, AN' MY
BUSINESS BIGGER!
WE'RE DOIN'
OKAY!

LOOKS LIKE
I'M REALLY
SATISFYING YOU
EX BOSS! SO
HOW ABOUT A
CELEBRATION
WHEN GIMPY
GETS BACK
FROM HIS
ROUTE?

HE ISN'T DUE
IN FOR A
COUPLE OF
HOURS, THO...
HEY, GIMPY—
WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU?

THE DIRTY SKUNKS,
THE CRAIG BROTHERS'
MOB—THEY AMBUSHED
ME ON MY RUN TO
THE MOUNTAINS!
THEY GOT THE
TRUCKLOAD—all of
IT, AND WARNED YOU
TO STAY OUT OF NEW
YORK STATE! IMAGINE
THEM WARNIN'



WHY, THOSE TWO-BIT
MORONS! THEY'LL PAY
FOR THIS AND GOOD!
GIMPY—TAKE A
TRUCKLOAD OF MEN
DOWN ON THAT RUN
AGAIN! IF THE
CRAIG GANG STOPS
YOU, WIPE 'EM OUT!

OKAY, BOSS,
I KNOW
WHERE THEY
HANG OUT
DOWNTOWN!
I'LL GET 'EM
ALL RIGHT,
AND THEY'LL
HATE THE
DAY THEY
TANGLED
WITH US!

AND YOU,
JOHNNY—I WANT
YOU TO TAKE CARE
OF THE CRAIG BOYS
PERSONALLY! MAKE
THIS A SPECIAL
JOB!

EXCUSE ME, MISS
GALE! THERE IS
A MR. ROSS, WHO
ASKED FOR THE
PLEASURE OF
JOINING YOU AT
DINNER! HE
NOTICED YOU
WERE ALONE!

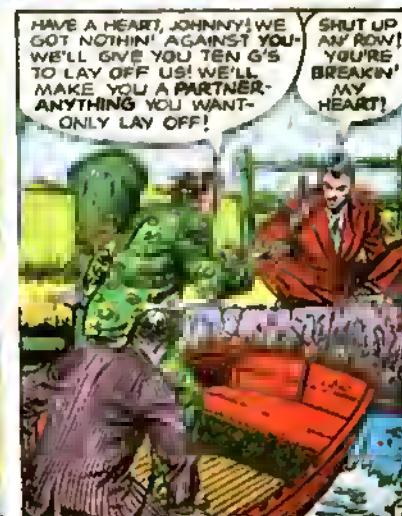
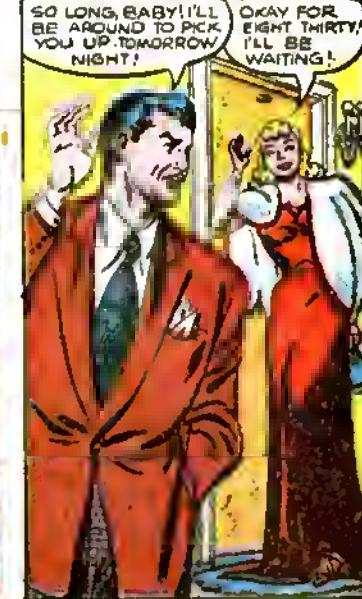
MR. ROSS? NOT
THE JOHNNY
ROSS? IS THAT
HIM OVER
THERE? WHY,
HE'S THE ONE
WHO'S BEEN
FOLLOWING ME
ALL DAY! WHY,
I'D LOVE TO HAVE
DINNER WITH THE
JOHNNY ROSS!
TELL HIM, YES!

I'M REALLY FLATTERED!
I DON'T THINK YOU'D
GIVE ME A TUMBLE AFTER
RUNNING AROUND WITH
A BIG-TIMER LIKE
TONY CRAIG!

HA, HA, HA!
OH, JOHNNY—
YOU'RE A RIOT!
WHY DIDN'T I
GET TO KNOW
YOU SOONER?
IT'S BEEN DULL
AROUND HERE
SINCE TONY
WENT DOWN
TO THE
BERKSHIRES!



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OKAY-YOU GUYS! YOU'VE ROWED FAR ENOUGH! JUST TO SHOW YOU I'M A SPORTSMAN, I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A CHANCE TO DIVE! IF I DON'T HIT YOU BEFORE YOU HIT THE WATER, I'LL LET YOU GO!

LOOK, JOHNNY! WE'LL GIVE YOU EVERYTHING WE OWN-OUR BUSINESS-OUR MONEY! WE'LL LEAVE THE STATE-ANYTHING YOU WANT! JUST GIVE US A

OHH!

I SAID DIVE! NOW DIVE!

I WONDER WHAT MARY GALE'LL DO WHEN SHE HEARS ABOUT THIS!

A SPORTSMAN THAT'S MY BOY JOHNNY FOR YOU!



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CRACK**



TONY IS DEAD! THE COPS FISHED HIM OUT OF A LAKE, ALONG WITH HIS BROTHER, WHEN THEY SAW AN EMPTY BOAT DRIFTING, AND BLOOD STREAKS IN THE WATER! POOR TONY-WHO COULD HAVE PULLED THAT JOB? NO ONE KNEW HIS HIDEOUT... EXCEPT ME AND.. OH, NO!

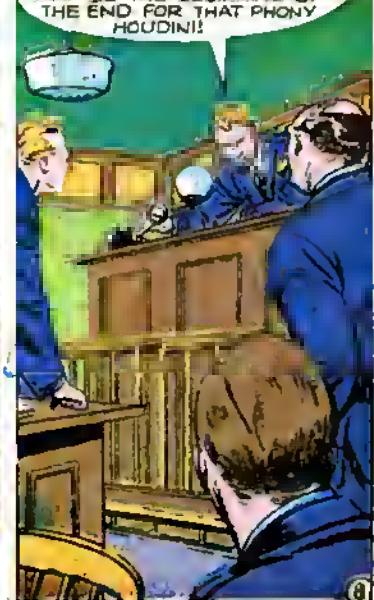
JOHNNY ROSS! I SHOWED HIM THE LETTER TONY SENT

I WAS!

THAT'S WHY HE WAS SO ANXIOUS TO MEET ME! HE WAS CONNING ME ALL ALONG! THAT WAS IT! BUT WHAT NOW? HE'LL KNOW I'M WISE TO HIM! HE'LL BE HERE IN A FEW HOURS AND HE MIGHT WANT TO KILL ME TO GET ME OUT OF THE WAY! I NEED PROTECTION!

HELLO-GET ME POLICE HEADQUARTERS-QUICKLY!

KILOWSKI! REGAN, GET OVER TO 208 WEST PARK STREET! A GIRL NAMED MARY GALE JUST TIPPED US OFF ON THE CRAIG BOYS' KILLING! SHE WANTS SOME PROTECTION! JOHNSON, CALL THE STATE POLICE! TELL 'EM WE GOT A LEAD ON JOHNNY ROSS AS THE KILLER! SEE IF THEY CAN'T PICK UP ENOUGH CLUES TO PIN IT ON HIM! THIS IS THE END FOR THAT PHONY HOUDINI!



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JOHNNY—YOU PULLED A CLEVER JOB ON THE CRAIG BOYS, AND IT WAS A SMART STUNT TO LOCATE THEM THROUGH THAT DAME, BUT NOW THAT SHE'S BLABBERED, THE HEATS REALLY ON! EVERY COPPER IN TOWN WILL BE ON YOUR TAIL! YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE MUCH ACTION TILL THIS CHILL'S OVER! YOU'D BETTER GET OUT OF TOWN SCARCE!

YEAH, I KNOW, I KNOW—OKAY, FITZ, I'LL LAY LOW! GIVE ME A GRAND TO TOSS AROUND AND I'LL TAKE A NICE, QUIET VACATION FOR A WHILE!

BUT JOHNNY WASN'T THE KIND OF GUY WHO COULD STAND TOO MUCH QUIET! EVEN IN HIDING, HE HAD TO HIT A FEW SPOTS WHERE HE COULD SHOW OFF HIS TALENTS! Fortunately for him, he wasn't too well known in Newton!



THREE RAISES IS THE LIMIT, STRANGER! YOU MUST BE PROUD OF YOUR HAND! HOW MANY CARDS DO YOU NEED?

I'LL PLAY THESE, THANKS!

YOU BET A HUNDRED? I'LL MAKE IT TWO BETTER THAN YOU!

OKAY—I'LL RAISE FIVE C'S!

THE PHONY—I DEALT HIM A PAIR OF DEUCES!

I'M TAKIN' TWO!

AND TWO BETTER!

MAKE IT A GRAND, JUNIOR!

ALL RIGHT—I'LL JUST BECOME A MILLIONAIRE!

DON'T WORRY, YOU WON'T!

OH, NO? THEN THAT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH BEAT THIS— ACES HIGH FULL HOUSE!

WHAT? FOUR DEUCES? WHY, YOU DIRTY CROOK—I DEALT YOU ONLY TWO D...ER...I MEAN...

SO THAT'S IT—STACKING THE DECK, EH? WELL, YOU SLIPPED UP! AND I'M GETTING OUTTA HERE WITH MY MONEY!



WHAT A STUNT-PULLING SO YOU STACKED THE DECK, WHEN YOU CUT THE CARDS! IT NETTED YOU A COOL 2,300 BUCKS—NOT BAD AT ALL! HEM, HEM, HEM!

SO YOU STACKED THE DECK, EH? NO WONDER YOU WERE HIGH WINNER!

LET'S GIVE IT TO 'EM, BOYS!

TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED SMACKERS, EH? OKAY—WRAP IT UP! I'M PAYING CASH!

YES, SIR!

AAH...MAYBE THIS VACATION I AIN'T SO BAD AFTER ALL! WHILE THE BULLS KNOCK THEMSELVES OUT TRYING TO PICK UP MY TRAIL IN TOWN, I'M GOING TO DO SOME REAL TRAIL-BLAZING HERE IN THE STICKS!

WELL, I'LL BE! THAT'S LIL' SISTER! I KNEW HER IN THE BIG TOWN! I WONDER IF SHE REMEMBERS ME?



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HELLO, LULU—
REMEMBER ME?
JOHNNY ROSS!

WHY, OF ALL PEOPLE:
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING IN THIS BURG?
HOW'S THE MAGIC
BUSINESS?

GREAT—AN' HOW IS
YOURSELF? I KNOW A
SWELL ITALIAN
RESTAURANT THAT
HAS THE BEST
FOOD THIS SIDE
OF NAPLES!

WELL—
OKAY!
YOU'RE
ON!

OH BOY—THE FOOD
WAS WONDERFUL
AND THOSE TRICKS
OF YOURS WERE VERY
ENTERTAINING! THANKS
A MILLION,
JOHNNY!

DON'T THANK
ME: TILL OUR
DATE'S OVER,
LULU! LET'S GO
FOR A LITTLE
DRIVE! I'LL PUT
THE TOP DOWN
ON MY
CONVERTIBLE!
HOW ABOUT IT?

OH, JOHNNY—
NOT SO FAST!
WE'RE STILL ON
MAIN STREET!

OH, RELAX, LULU—
I LIKE ACTION
AND SPEED—HOW
DOES THAT WIND
FEEL, HONEY?

MIKE—LOOK AT THAT
CRAZY COWBOY! LET'S
FORCE HIM OVER TO
THE CURB BEFORE HE
MOWS DOWN THE WHOLE
POPULATION! LOOK—
HE ALMOST RAMMED
INTO THAT TROLLEY!

OKAY, BRONCO
BILL—LET'S SEE
YOUR
DRIVER'S
LICENSE!

OH, OH—I HAVE
NO LICENSE! I
BETTER GREASE
THIS MONKEY'S
PALM!

HERE
YOU ARE,
OFFICER!

A HUNDRED-DOLLAR BILL!
WHY, YOU DUMB CRUMB—I
OUGHT TO STUFF IT DOWN
YOUR THROAT! MIKE, THERE'S
A SIGNAL BOX THREE
BLOCKS DOWN! CALL
HEADQUARTERS WHILE
I KEEP AN EYE ON
THIS WISE-ACRE!

OKAY,
BILL! I'LL
BE RIGHT
BACK!

WE'LL SEE IF
YOU CAN BRIBE
YOUR WAY
OUT OF THIS,
WISE GUY!

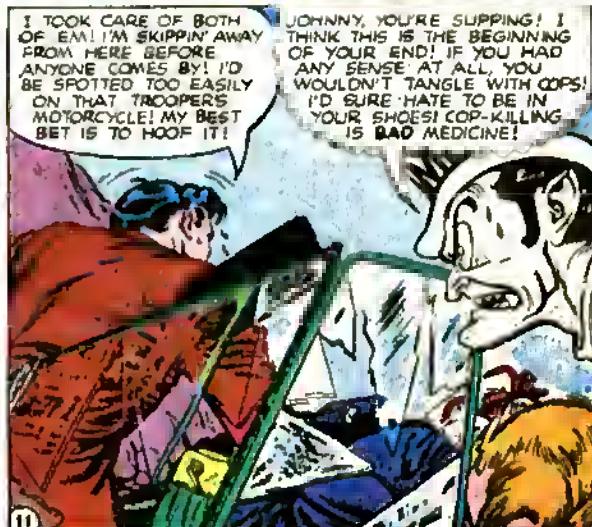
LOOK OUT,
OFFICER—
HE'S GOT
A GUN!

SHUT UP,
YOU STUPID
FRILL!

OUT YOU GO, LOUDMOUTH!
YOU, COPPER—GET IN AND
TAKE THE WHEEL IF YOU
DON'T WANT YOUR WIFE
WIDOWED!



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"GASP! HE'S GETTING AWAY! IF I COULD ONLY GET ONE SHOT AT THAT SCUM--JUST ONE!" GASP! BUT HE TOOK MY GUN!

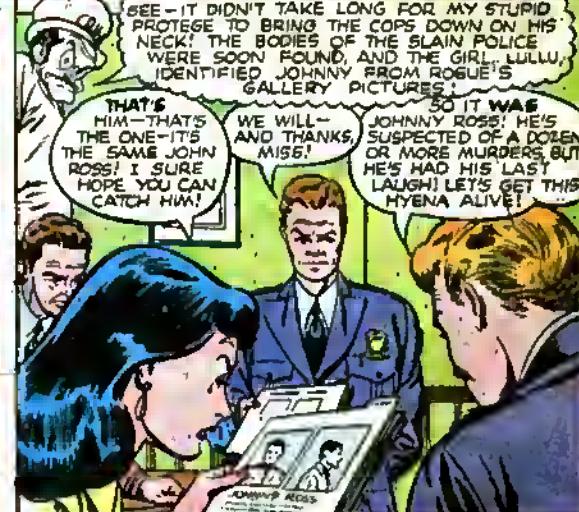
GREAT NERO--THIS COP IS STILL ALIVE! LIKE ALL MAD DOG KILLERS, THAT STUPID FOOL UNDERESTIMATES THE COURAGE AND WILL POWER OF THE POLICE!

I'M NOT TOO WEAK TO CRAWL! I CAN REACH THAT TROOPER'S GUN, BUT IF THAT APE SEES ME MOVING, HE'LL FINISH ME FOR SURE!

GOOD! HE DIDN'T SEE ME, BUT I'M SO GOSH-DANGED WEAK, I CAN HARDLY LIFT THIS PISTOL!

OWWW! MY ARM!

BANG! BANG!



OKAY, NELSON, SEND OUT A DESCRIPTION OF ROSS, AND GIVE THE WORD TO BRING HIM IN--IF IT TAKES THE WHOLE POLICE FORCE TO DO IT! AND POST A TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR REWARD FOR HIS CAPTURE OR FOR INFORMATION ON HIM! IF ROSS IS WOUNDED, HE'LL HAVE TO LAY LOW WITH SOME UNDERWORLD CHUM! A BIG REWARD WILL HELP THEIR TONGUES TO WAG!

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SHUT THAT BLASTED RADIO OFF! THIS ARM IS GIVING ME ENOUGH PAIN AS IT IS!

WHY SHOULDN'T I BE? I DIDN'T LIKE THAT TWINKLE IN YOUR EYE WHEN YOU HEARD THAT REWARD MENTIONED! I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN TRUST YOU GUYS JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE FITZ'S PALS!

OH, KNOCK OFF, JOHNNY! WE DIDN'T ASK ANY QUESTIONS WHEN YA CAME HERE LOOKIN' FOR A HOLE UP, DID WE? IF YOU'RE ONE OF FITZ GERALD'S BOYS, YOU'RE SAFE WITH US! WE OD PLENTY

HIM! NOW RELAX, WILL YA?



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LOOK.. STOP WAVING THAT ROD. I KNOW YOU CAN DO TRICKS WITH IT! BUT IT'S GOIN' TO TAKE MORE THAN MAGIC TO TAKE THAT SLUG OUT OF YOUR ARM! YOU NEED A DOCTOR AND I KNOW THE RIGHT ONE! LET ME CALL HIM!

OKAY, BUT DON'T TRY ANY CUTE STUFF! MAKE SURE YOU CALL A SAW-BONES AND NOT THE COPPERS, OR THIS BLACK BEAUTY MIGHT START BARKIN'!

THE SUCKER! HE DOESN'T KNOW ANY LOCAL NUMBER! THE DOC I CALL WILL CURE HIM FOR GOOD!

HELLO, DOCTOR? THIS IS NICK PETRONI.. 610 MAPLE ROAD... LOOK, DOC, I'VE GOT A GUY HERE WITH A SLUG IN HIS RIGHT ARM! HE GOT CLIPPED BY A COPPER AND HE'S HOT! HE CAN'T GET OUT! CAN YOU COME OVER RIGHT AWAY?

I CAN'T TALK TOO MUCH, DOC! HA! THE GUYS AFRAID I MIGHT TIP THE COPS! HA, HA! RICH, AIN'T IT? Y' GOT THE ADDRESS? YEAH.. NICK PETRONI... 610 MAPLE ROAD! AND HURRY, WILL YA!

YEAH, YEAH! I GOT IT! WELL BE RIGHT OVER!



EITHER I'M CRAZY, OR THAT'S THE TIP WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! SERGEANT, GET ME TWO PLAINCLOTHESMEN FROM HOMICIDE--RIGHT AWAY!

RIGHT, LIEUTENANT!

WHAT'S TAKIN' THAT DOC SO LONG TO GET HERE? THIS ARM'S KILLIN' ME!

HE SHOULD BE HERE ANY MINUTE! WAIT--THERE HE IS NOW!

KNOCK! KNOCK!

WELL--HELLO, DOC! I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK YOU'D GOTTEN MY MESSAGE BAILED UP OR SOMETHING!

NO--I GOT IT STRAIGHT! I BROUGHT MY ASSISTANTS ALONG TO HELP ME!

YOU'D BETTER TAKE THAT ARM OUT OF THE SLING!

OKAY, OKAY! MAKE IT SHORT AND SWEET, WILL YA?



IT WILL BE, ROSS. THE ELECTRIC CHAIR ALWAYS IS! YOU CAN THANK PETRONI FOR TIPPING US OFF! WE CAN ALWAYS DEPEND ON YOU RATS TO BITE FOR A CHEESY REWARD! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!

HEY.. YOU'RE COPPERS: WHY YA DIRTY... YOU CAN'T PULL A TRICK LIKE THIS ON ME!

YOU KILL-CRAZY GOON! THEY DID, AND YOU'RE FRYING TONIGHT JUST TO PROVE IT! WELL, MR. MAGICIAN, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GET OUT OF THIS ONE? YOU'RE THE CLEVER TRICKSTER WITH A MILLION GIMMICKS AND EVEN YOU FELL FOR THE OLDEST TRICK OF ALL--THE OLD-FASHIONED DOUBLE-CROSS!

IT LOOKS LIKE EVEN A "CLEVER" MAGICIAN CAN'T ESCAPE THE ONE LESSON ALL MY PUPILS MUST LEARN SOME DAY! BUT I DON'T TELL THEM! I LET THE SUCKERS FIND OUT FOR THEMSELVES THAT CRIME SURE DOESN'T PAY!



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RUDOLPH "TIGER" HARKNESS WAS A RUTHLESS, POWER-CRAZED MOBSTER WHO TRIED TO BECOME ANOTHER DILLINGER! HE BEGAN AS A "TORPEDO" FOR SOME OF THE DEADLIEST MOBS OF THE UNDERWORLD! THEN, IN THE EARLY THIRTIES, HE ORGANIZED A GANG OF HIS OWN! HE PROMPTLY EMBARKED ON A WILD RAMPAGE OF BANK ROBBERIES AND KILLINGS THAT LANDED HIM A LIFE SENTENCE IN PRISON! HIS BAD TEMPER AND UTTER CONTEMPT FOR HUMAN LIFE MADE HIM NEARLY AS DANGEROUS INSIDE PRISON WALLS AS OUT! HE DIED AS HE LIVED...VIOLENTLY, AFTER ENGINEERING ONE OF THE STRANGEST PRISON BREAKS OF ALL TIME!

CASE DISMISSED FOR LACK OF SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE! JUST THE SAME, WATCH YOUR STEP, HARKNESS! TRY TO FIND YOURSELF A JOB! KEEP OUT OF TROUBLE - YOU MAY NOT BE SO LUCKY NEXT TIME!

YES SIR! I WILL YOUR HONOR!

OH, RUDY, I'M SO GLAD THEY DIDN'T SEND YOU TO JAIL! NOW, YOU CAN MAKE A FRESH START, LIKE YOU PROMISED YOU WOULD, IF THEY LET YOU GO!

NOW WAIT A MINUTE, MOLLY! DON'T TELL ME YOU FELL FOR THAT LINE TOO! THAT WAS MEANT FOR THE JUDGE! THE JOB I'M HEADING' FOR WILL MAKE THEM ALL SIT UP AND TAKE NOTICE!

ANOTHER DILLINGER! ONLY THEY WON'T GET ME!

OH, RUDY, CAN'T YOU SEE YOU'RE FOOLING NO ONE BUT YOURSELF? HOW CAN YOU THROW AWAY YOUR LAST CHANCE TO GO STRAIGHT? DON'T DO IT!

IT'S EASY, BABY! THIS TIME I'M GETTIN' ME A GANG! I'M THROUGH WORKIN' FOR SOMEONE ELSE! I'M GONNA BE A BIG SHOT! THEY'RE GONNA CALL ME BOSS!



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YANCY, YOU AN' CLICKER HAVE KNOWN ME A LONG TIME! YOU KNOW I WOULDN'T STEER YOU WRONG! THEM BOOTLEGGER CAN HAVE THEIR BOOZE! WE'LL TAKE THE BANKS! THERE'S MORE READY CASH IN 'EM THAN A KEG OF BEER! WE'LL PULL A FEW SMALL JOBS FOR OUR WORKOUTS--AND THEN IT'S NOTHIN' BUT BIG TIME 'FOR US!'

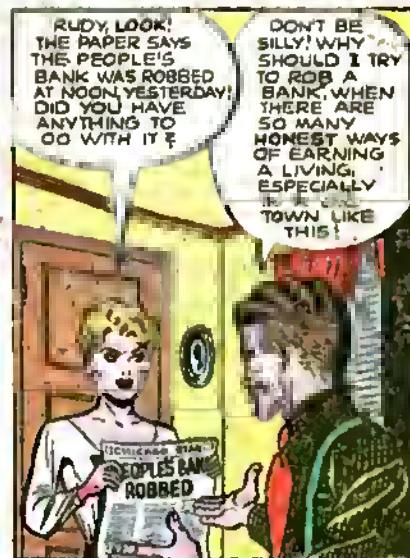
ME TOO! I LIKE YOUR IDEA!

ALL FOR IT, TIGER.

ALL RIGHT, YOU GUARDS! THIS IS A STICKUP! UP WITH 'EM, EVERYBODY!

OKAY, BALDY! HAND OVER THE DOUGH--AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!

PAYING FOR EVERYTHING



AND NOW, GORGEOUS, LET'S TALK ABOUT SOMETHING MORE PLEASANT! HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO WEAR THIS PEARL NECKLACE? I BOUGHT IT JUST TO PROVE I'M THE RIGHT KIND OF A HUSBAND!

I KNOW IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS! GOSH, BUT IT'S LOVELY! HOW ABOUT A LITTLE CELEBRATION? THEATRE, MOVIES--WHAT WILL IT BE FIRST, DARLING?

I FORGOT TO TELL YOU, MOLLY! I WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE YOU FOR A WHILE! I'VE GOTTA GO TO INDIANA TO SEE SOME PEOPLE ON A BUSINESS DEAL! I'LL BE BACK SOON WITH A PILE

OKAY, BOYS! KEEP A COOL HEAD AND REMEMBER--KEEP ME COVERED! WE CAN'T AFFORD TO BUNGLE ANY JOB!



YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY, TIGER! WE'LL HANDLE THIS LIKE A PIGGY BANK!

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HERE'S YOUR SPLIT,
FROM NOW ON WE'RE
FINISHED WITH SMALL
BANKS! THIS IS JUST
CHICKEN FEED! WHAT
WE WANT NOW ARE
BIG BANKS, LIKE
THE MERCHANTS'
SAVINGS AND
LOAN!

**IF WE KEEP
MOVING INTO
BIGGER NESTS,
WE'RE GONNA
BE TAKING
BIGGER
CHANCES,
TOO!**

**UP WITH 'EM!
ANYONE WHO
MOVES IS A
DEAD PIGEON.
STOP THAT
GUARD!**

**A HOLDUP!
QUICK! THE
ALARM!**

START HEADING FOR THE CAR, BUT KEEP YOUR EYES ON THESE WATCH DOGS!

THE RATS!
THEY KILLED
SAM! LET 'EM
HAVE IT!



STEP ON IT, YANCY. HERE
COME THE BULLS!
CLICKER, HAND ME A
TOMMY, OR
THEY'LL PLUG
US BEFORE
WE CAN GET
GOIN'!!

**HERE
IT IS!
A W FOR
THEIR
TIRES!**

GIVE ER THE GAS, YANCY, UNLESS
YOU DON'T WANNA GET OUT
OF THIS MESS ALIVE!

I'M
GOIN' MY
EST, TIGER!
S TRAFFIC
T HEIRIN'

**JUST BE CAREFUL!
THOSE BULLS CAN
SURE SHOOT GOOD.
IF THEY GET ANY
CLOSER, WE'RE
DONE FOR!**



**HEY, YANCY!
LOOK OUT, YOU
IDIOT, YOU'RE
GONNA CRASH!**

**GREATS!
SMOKE!
THIS IS
THE END!**

A circular logo with the words "HEY! LOOK OUT!" in a bold, sans-serif font. The logo has a green border and a small green sprout at the bottom.



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ALL RIGHT, HARKNESS, THIS IS IT! BETTER COME ALONG QUIETLY AND DON'T TRY ANY TRICKS! WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED FROM ALL SIDES!

DICKS! OF ALL THE ROTTEN LUCK! HOW DID YOU KNOW I WAS HERE? I'VE BEEN COMING HERE FOR NEARLY A MONTH! WHO TIPPED YOU OFF? OKAY, LET'S GO! SORRY, HONEY, BUT THAT'S

YOU'VE HAD YOUR CHANCE, HARKNESS! I HAVE NO PITY FOR WILD BEASTS LIKE YOU! THIS TIME I'M GIVING YOU A LIFE SENTENCE! GUARD, TAKE THE PRISONER AWAY!

BUT WAIT, JUDGE! THIS IS UNFAIR! I'M INNOCENT!

HARKNESS, WE TRY TO PLAY FAIR AND SHARE WITH EACH PRISONER. HERE IN SAN QUINN, YOU'LL BE OKAY, IF YOU COOPERATE! IF YOU DON'T, WE CAN GET TOUGH, JOU.

SAVE THAT FOR THE OTHERS, WARDEN! NOBODY CAN KEEP TIGER HARKNESS COOPED UP! WHEN I DECIDE TO GO - I GO!



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DOES YOUR COOK ALWAYS PAUSE SO LONG BETWEEN THE SACAD AND THE UGGER? WARDEN?

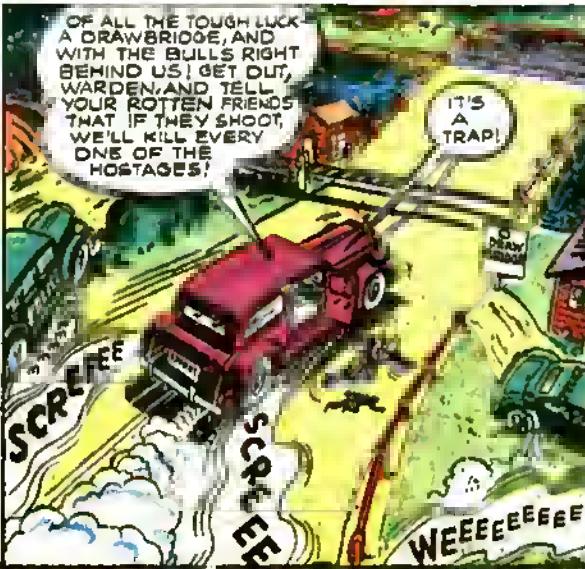
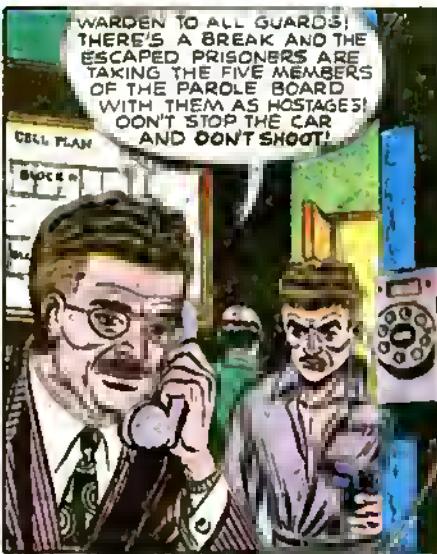
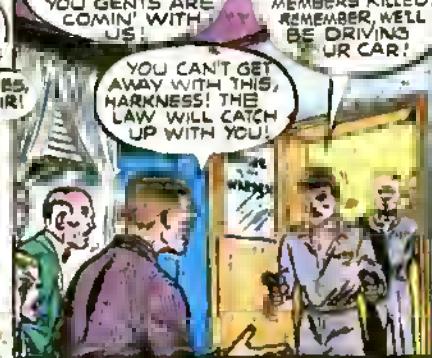
ER..NO! TO BE FRANK, GENTLEMEN, I WAS WONDERING MYSELF! TRUSTEE, GO SEE WHAT'S HOLDING THE COOK UP! TELL HIM HE'LL NEVER GET PAROLED IF HE KEEPS THE WHOLE PAROLE BOARD WAITING FOR THEIR LUNCH.

MINUTES LATER!

GET BACK WHERE YA BELONG, YOU DOGS! AND NO ONE MOVE OR I'LL KILL YOU ALL! WE'RE CLEARIN' OUT AND YOU GENTS ARE COMIN' WITH US!

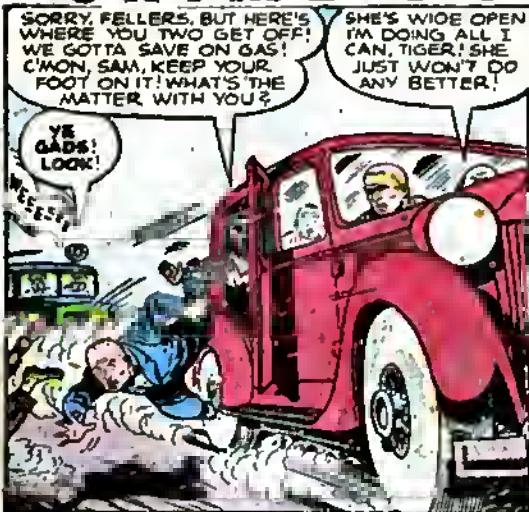
WARDEN, TELL YOUR MEN NOT TO FIRE ON US, IF YOU DON'T WANT THE PAROLE BOARD MEMBERS KILLED! REMEMBER, WE'LL BE DRIVING UR CAR!

ALL RIGHT, WARDEN! CALL THE GUARDS AND TELL THEM WE'LL KILL EVERYBODY IN THIS ROOM, IF THEY TRY TO INTERFERE WITH US!

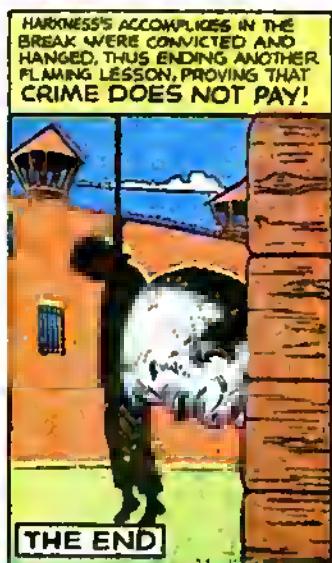


THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT! LET'S GO!

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HARKNESS AND HIS FOLLOWERS JUMPED FROM THE SKIDDING CAR SECONDS BEFORE IT CRASHED INTO A NEARBY CREAMERY, KILLING THE TWO REMAINING PAROLE BOARD MEMBERS!



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ON THE LEVEL

by C.H.MOORE



THE ANALYSIS OF INK IN SOLVING A CRIME WAS USED AS EVIDENCE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE PILCHER CASE IN ENGLAND - 1909. COL. PILCHER PRODUCED A SIGNED WILL OF MISS KERFERD IN WHICH SHE LEFT HIM HER ENTIRE ESTATE - THE WILL WAS DATED 1898! AN EXPERT ON DOCUMENTS, DR. MITCHELL, EXAMINED THE INK AND DISCOVERED IT TO BE LESS THAN FIVE YEARS OLD - WHICH PROVED THAT THE WILL WAS A FORGERY, SINCE IT WAS DATED 1898! THE COLONEL CONFESSED WHEN THIS EVIDENCE WAS PRESENTED AND HE WENT TO PRISON!

C.H.MOORE



A FIREMAN IN GRANVILLE, WISCONSIN CONFESSED TO SETTING 100 FALSE ALARMS - HE WANTED A RAISE, IN PAY - SO HE PULLED THE ALARMS TO MAKE HIS WORK LOOK MORE IMPORTANT!



STAN DILLAN - SERVING 15 TO 20 YEARS FOR BREAKING INTO THE VAULT OF A N.Y. BANK - HAS NEW TROUBLES - HE MUST PAY FOR THE DAMAGE HE DID TO THE SAFE AS WELL - 707!



A BANK ROBBER MADE A HASTY EXIT FROM A NEW YORK BANK AFTER GRABBING A PACKAGE OF MONEY! HE TOOK A PACKAGE CONTAINING \$300 OF COUNTERFEIT MONEY - THAT THE BANK WAS TURNING IN TO THE GOVERNMENT!

A COURT WITHOUT A CASE! THE TOWN OF SARITA, TEXAS HAS A RECORD OF WHICH TO BE PROUD -- FOR MORE THAN A YEAR THERE HAVE BEEN NO CRIMES AND NO COURT CASES!

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

JOHN MORCISCHECK A BUTLER IN WASHINGTON, D.C. ROBBED HIS EMPLOYER OF VALUABLE JEWELRY WITHOUT BEING SUSPECTED - HE SENT THE JEWELS BY MAIL TO A FRIEND NAMED MARTIN - TO HOLD FOR HIM - BUT HE NEGLECTED TO CROSS THE "T" IN MARTIN AND BY AN ODD COINCIDENT THE PACKAGE WAS DELIVERED TO A MAN LIVING IN THE SAME BUILDING NAMED MARLIN - WHO TURNED THE JEWELS OVER TO THE POLICE - TRACING THE PACKAGE BACK TO THE SENDER WAS EASY - MORCISCHECK WENT TO JAIL.



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WHO DUNNIT?

TEST YOUR WITS! HOW GOOD A DETECTIVE ARE YOU?

EDDIE DYKE, THE VICTIM!



EDDIE DYKE HADN'T A FRIEND IN THE WORLD, INCLUDING HIMSELF! HIS OWN PERSONALITY WAS HIS OWN WORST ENEMY! PEOPLE NO SOONER SAW HIM THAN THEY DISLIKED HIM! IT WAS NO WONDER, THEN, THAT THIS PINT-SIZED HOT SHOT SHOULD WIND UP WITH FIVE PEOPLE HATING HIM TO DEATH! HERE IS THE THRILLING PUZZLER OF A MURDER CASE WHICH A BIG CITY'S HOMICIDE SQUAD HAD TO SOLVE IN MARCH, 1934... COMPLETE WITH THE CLUES AND EVIDENCE THEY HAD TO WORK WITH! CAN YOU MATCH WITS WITH SOME OF OUR LEADING SLEUTHS? CAN YOU SOLVE THE MURDER OF THE NOTORIOUS GAMBLER, EDDIE DYKE?

ART BY
FRED GUARDINEER

THE MURDER WEAPON!

MARTIN MAXSON,
SUSPECT NO. 3!

MRS. DYKE,
SUSPECT NO. 4!

TILLY O'ROY,
SUSPECT NO. 2!

JACKIE NEEDLE,
SUSPECT NO. 1!

RANDY KELOR,
SUSPECT NO. 5!

THE FANTASTIC PUZZLE BEGAN IN THE APARTMENT OF GAMBLER EDDIE DYKE, IN JANUARY 1934...

I'VE HEARD THAT ROUTINE SO MANY TIMES, YOU OUGHT TO PUT IT ON A RECORD! THIS ISN'T YOUR HOME—IT'S A MOTEL! ALL YOU DO IS PLAY CARDS HERE! AND ME—I'M NO WIFE, JUST SOMEONE YOU HAND AN ALLOWANCE TO EVERY WEEK—AND A PRETTY PUNY ALLOWANCE AT THAT!

HONEST, BABY, YOU GIVE ME AN EARACHE! GO PICK A CLOSET TO HOLLER IN—LEAVE ME ALONE!

WHERE ARE THOSE TWO PHONY BODYGUARDS OF MINE? THEY'RE ALWAYS LATE, THE BUMS! I COULD BE DEAD A HUNDRED TIMES BY THE TIME THEY SHOWED UP!

ONCE IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME! I HEAR RANDY KELOR IS PLAYING TONIGHT! THAT DEAD-EAR IS NOT THE KIND OF A GUY TO BE TAKEN OVER! HE'S NOBODY'S DEAF, BUT HE'S FAR FROM DUMB!

AIN'T IT TIME YOU WERE GOIN' TO YOUR MAH JONG GAME? I'M SURE YOUR LADY FRIENDS YOU'RE OUT OF MUST BE CHEWIN' UP SIGHT! SOMEBODY MIGHT WAITIN' FOR MAMA'S SPARE THE WISECRACKS! I CAN TAKE A HINT, BUT WATCH YOUR STEP WHILE MAMA'S AT IT, AND MAMA WOULD BE

SHOW UP! AT 100 AND MAMA WOULD BE GETTING A BIG HUNK OF LIFE INSURANCE—I HOPE!



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SURE! YOU'D LIKE TO SEE ME CROAK. WOULDN'T YOU? THEN YOU COULD SPEND MY DOUGH ON SABLES, AN' GIGOLOS WITH PATENT LEATHER HAIR!

WELL, I'M CROSSIN' YOU UP, SWEETHEART! I'M WRITIN' YOU OUT OF THE WILL! I'M CONVERTIN' MY INSURANCE INTO OO-RE-MI FOR YOURS TRULY TO THROW DOWN THE SEWER! ANYTHING BUT HANDING IT OVER TO YOU, WIFEY DEAR!

SPOKEN LIKE THE RATTY SKUNK THAT YOU ARE! JUST KEEP DOING YOUR LITTLE WIFE DIRT, AND SEE WHERE YOU'LL WIND UP!

THERE GOES THE BIGGEST MISTAKE I MADE IN MY LIFE! SHE GOT HER HOOKS INTO ME AN' NOW SHE WON'T LET ME GO, TILL SHE'S GOT MY BANKROLL! I'M A FOOL TO CARRY SO MUCH INSURANCE! SHE'S SLIT MY THROAT FOR HALF OF IT!

THAT MUST BE FRED AN' LOLIE NOW - THE DEADBEATS! I'LL GIVE 'EM A PIECE OF MY MIND! WHAT GOOD ARE THEY AS BODYGUARDS? THEY'RE NEVER AROUND WHEN I WANT 'EM!



UP WITH 'EM! GO ON! GET INSIDE THE ROOM!

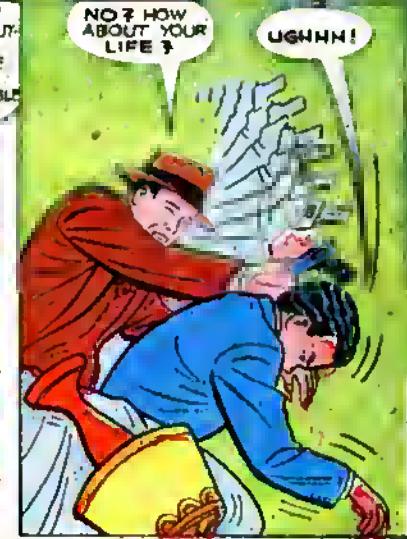
S-SURE, ALL YOU WANT IS DOUGH, AIN'T THAT RIGHT? YOU CAME TO THE RIGHT GUY, MISTER! MY WALLET'S LOADED! THERE IT IS... ON THE TABLE, SEE? I'M NOT GIVIN' YOU ANY FIGHT!

AIN'T YOU THE HELPFUL ONE? TURN YOUR FACE TO THE WALL AND KEEP THEM NAILS SCRAPING THE CEILING!

YOU'RE WASTIN' YOUR TIME; OUTSIDE OF THE WALLET, THERE AIN'T NOTHIN' THAT'S VALUABLE HERE!

NO? HOW ABOUT YOUR LIFE?

UGH!!



YEAH, HE'S DONE FOR! YEAH, I MADE IT LOOK LIKE A HEIST JOB! I TURNED THE ROOM UPSIDE DOWN - PULLED THE DRAWERS OUT AND SLIT THE PILLOWS LIKE YOU SAID! WHEN CAN I COME DOWN FOR MY DOUGH?

WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED HERB? A TORNADO MUST'VE SHOOK THIS JOINT! IS HE DEAD?

I DON'T THINK SO! CALL UP FOR AN AMBULANCE! WE'D BE BETTER OFF LETTIN' HIM CROAK! HE'LL NEVER FORGIVE US FOR SHOWIN' UP LATE - NOT AFTER THIS BEATIN'!



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THIS GUY WAS OUT TO MURDER DYKE. NOT ROB HIM! NO CROOK UPSETS A PLACE LIKE THIS UNLESS HE WANTS TO TAKE A HOLDUP! BEIDES, ONE CRACK ON THE NOODLE! WOULD'VE KNOCKED DYKE OUT! DYKE WAS BEATEN TO A POINT INCONSISTENT WITH A MERE STICKUP!

HE SURE DID!

YOU'LL NEED AN ADDING MACHINE TO COUNT 'EM!

I DID DYKE HAVE ANY ENEMIES?

I HAS A BROKEN HAND. HIS SKULL IS FRACTURED IN FOUR PLACES! GOT ANY OTHER QUESTIONS, INSPECTOR?

NONE THAT YOU CAN ANSWER, DOCTOR! I'VE GOT A COUPLE FOR DYKE WHEN HE COMES TO! GIVE ME A CALL WHEN HE DOES!

SURE, IT COULD'VE BEEN ANTHONY WHO SENT THAT MUG AFTER ME! BUT IF YOU'RE ASKIN' ME, I THINK MY WIFE PAID THE CHECK! OUR MARRIAGE IS ALL WASHED UP! ALL SHE WANTS NOW IS YOUR WIFE THE DOUGH IS HERE TO SEE YOU, IF I CROAK!

GOOD! SEND HER IN!



OVER MY DEAD BODY! KEEP HER OUT OF HERE! I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT MURDERIN' WITCH! I'LL THROW HER IN THE BED AT HER DAYS BEFORE SHE COMES IN!

WE MUSTN'T EXCITE HIM TOO MUCH, MRS. DYKE!

YOU VISIT YOUR HUSBAND!

THAT'S OKAY WITH ME! I DONT CARE IF I NEVER SEE THAT CRAZY SHRIMP!

EDDIE, YOU AINT LOST YOUR TOUCH! YOU STILL RAKE IN THOSE ACES.

DID YOU THINK A BROKEN HAND WAS GONNA WASH EDDIE DYKE UP? LISTEN, CHUMP, THE DAY I GET OUT OF THIS JOINT I'M GOIN' RIGHT BACK TO ANYBODY HOME? I'M TILLY OROY: WHERE J LEFT OFF! THE NURSE'S REGISTRY SENT ME!

THEY SAID YOU'D NEED LOOKING AFTER AT HOME, AFTER YOU'RE DISCHARGED FROM THE HOSPITAL!

THAT'S RIGHT, BABY! TAKE A LOAD OFF YOUR FEET AN' SIT IN! I'LL STAKE YOU! YOU'LL BE SEEIN' A LOT OF THESE CARD GAMES! THAT'S THE WAY I MAKE MY CAB-BACE! LOUIE, GIVE ME A CHAIR!



WELL, IT DONT TAKE EDDIE LONG TO GET BACK INTO HARNESS - CRACKED HEAD AND ALL!

NO SIR, MRS. DYKE, GAMBLIN' IS FOOD AND DRINK TO EDDIE! HE CAN'T LIVE WITH- OUT IT! HE'S LINED UP A LIST OF POKER SESSIONS THATO KILL THE AVERAGE GUY!

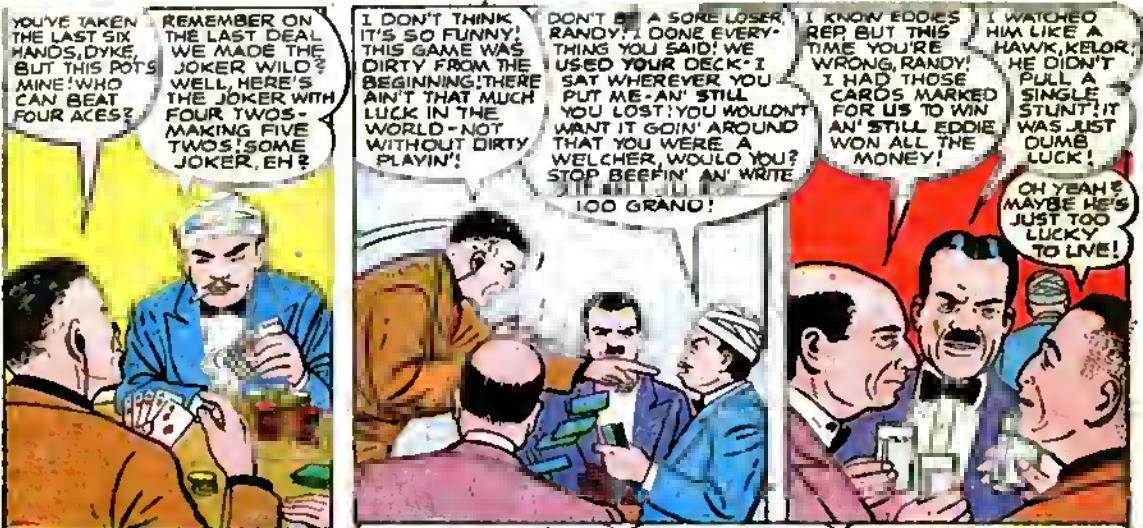
YEAH, AN' HE BETTER NOT PULL ANY FUNNY STUFF WITH RANDY RELOP TOMORROW NIGHT, OR THAT'S HOW HE'LL END UP-KILLED! RANDY'S A ROUGH CUSTOMER!

HYA, EDDIE! I SEE YA BRUNG YER WHOLE FAMILY - NURSE AN' ALL BUT NOTHIN' WILL HELP YA IF YOU PULL ANY FUNNY STUFF! AN UNDERTAKER WILL DO YOU A LOT MORE GOOD!

THANKS, RUBBERT EAR, BUT ALL I NEED IS LUCK! NOW THAT EVERY BODY KNOWS EACH OTHER, HOW ABOUT GETTIN' STARTED? HOW DEAF IS RUBBERT UNDER HIS COAT FOR HIM TO HEAR ANYTHING?



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HELLO-RANDY? THIS'S EDDIE! I'M CALLIN' YOU BECAUSE I'LL NEED HALF THAT I.O.U. MONEY BY TOMORROW NIGHT! I'VE GOT A DEAL ON THE FIRE AN' I NEED CASH FAST, SO SEE THAT I GET THAT DOUGH FIRST THING IN

YOU'LL GET IT, EDDIE! IT'S ONLY COMING TO YOU, AN' I'M A GUY WHO BELIEVES IN PAYIN' OFF IN FULL!

JACKIE YOU CAN'T GO IN THERE! I'LL LOSE MY JOB! JACKIE, PLEASE!

THE HECK WITH YOUR JOB! I DON'T WANT YOU WORKIN' FOR A GUY LIKE DYKE! YOU'RE ENGAGED TO ME AN' YOU'RE QUITTING AS OF NOW!

LOOK FOR ANOTHER NURSE DYKE! TILLY'S QUITTING! I WON'T HAVE THE GIRL I'M ENGAGED TO WORKIN' FOR A ROTTEN EGG LIKE YOU! SHE THINKS THAT YOU'LL MARRY HER WHEN YOU DIVORCE YOUR WIFE!

BOYS, I DON'T LIKE THIS CHARACTER! SHOW HIM WHAT I DO TO PEOPLE WHO RUB ME THE WRONG WAY!



THE NEXT MORNING, MARCH 3, 1934, DAWNED LIKE ANY OTHER DAY, BUT IT WAS TO CLOSE DIFFERENTLY FOR EDDIE DYKE!

IT'S YOUR BODYGUARD! THEY'RE GOING TO BE LATE! LOU HAS A HANG-OVER! THEY SAID THEY'D MEET YOU DOWN AT THE EDEN CLUB AT ELEVEN!

THOSE FAT HEADS ALWAYS GOT SOME EXCUSE! I'LL FIRE 'EM AND GET A COUPLE OF GUYS WHO CAN BE ON TIME!

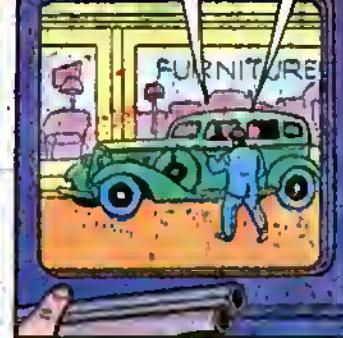
HERE HE COMES! LET HIM GET INTO HIS CAR! WELL FOLLOW HIM TO THE FIRST TRAFFIC SIGNAL! WHEN HE STOPS FOR THE LIGHT, LET HIM HAVE IT THROUGH THE WINDOW!

WHERE TO, MR. DYKE?

THE EDEN CLUB, HAL! AN' TAKE IT EASY! I AINT IN NO HURRY TO GET THERE BEFORE ELEVEN!

MR. DYKE! A CAR PULLED UP!

H-HUH, GULP!



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IF THEY DID SOME BODY HIRED THEM! GOT ANY IDEA WHO THAT SOMEBODY MIGHT BE, HAROLD?

YES, SIR! IT COULD BE MRS. DYKE, LIKE YOU SAID, OR IT COULD BE MISS O'ROY, THE NURSE. OR IT COULD BE MISS O'ROY'S BOY FRIEND, THE ONE MR. DYKE HAD BEATEN UP YESTERDAY! I SAW HIM COME DOWN AFTER FRED AND LOU ROUGHED HIM UP! HE WAS RAVIN' ABOUT WHAT HE'D DO TO MR. DYKE!

THAT'S A LIE ABOUT JACKIE! JACKIE WOULDN'T KILL ANYBODY! AND I CERTAINLY WOULDN'T! IT WOULD BE SILLY TO KILL THE BEST PAYING EMPLOYER I EVER HAD!

NONSENSE! EDDIE HIMSELF TOLD ME YOU THREATENED TO KILL HIM AFTER THAT BEATING HE GAVE JACK NEEDLE! AS FOR ME, ALL OF EDDIE'S INSURANCE COULDN'T TAKE THE PLACE OF THE MONEY I GOT FROM EDDIE WHILE HE WAS ALIVE! EDDIE WAS THE LUCKIEST GAMBLER IN TOWN!

WHY SHOULD I KILL THE GOOSE THAT LAID THE GOLDEN EGG?

BECAUSE YOU WOULDN'T GET ANY MORE GOLDEN EGGS! EVERYBODY KNEW MR. DYKE WAS GOING TO DIVORCE YOU! YOU FIGURED YOU'D SETTLE FOR THE INSURANCE TO SOMEONE LIKE YOU. THAT'S GOOD BUSINESS! AND SPEAKING OF BUSINESS, THERE'S MR. DYKE'S COUSIN, MR. MAXSON. I HEARD HIM THREATEN MR. DYKE, BECAUSE MR. DYKE WOULDN'T DISSOLVE THEIR PUBLIC RELATIONS COMPANY!

OFFICER, SEND OUT AN ALARM FOR LOUIE AND FRED, THE TWO BODYGUARDS! ALSO, HAVE MARTIN MAXSON PICKED UP, TOGETHER WITH JACK NEEDLE! HAVE THEM BROUGHT OVER TO RANDY KELOR'S PLACE! I'LL BE THERE ALL AFTERNOON QUESTIONING HIM ABOUT HIS 100 GRAND I.O.U.!

YOU'RE WRONG, INSPECTOR! I AINT THE GUY! I WAS SURE, BUT I GOT OVER IT! IN GAMBLING, IT'S THE BREAKS! SOME TIMES YOU WIN, SOMETIMES YOU LOSE!

INSPECTOR, MAXSON AND JACK NEEDLE ARE OUTSIDE! WE PICKED UP NEEDLE AT A BAR! HE WAS PACKING A GUN AND HE WAS A MESS! LIKE THE CHAUFFEUR! SAY HE'S FULL OF PATCHES FROM THAT GOIN' OVER. HE GOT FROM DYKE'S MEN!

INSPECTOR, I'M HORRIFIED THAT YOU THINK THE MURDERER MIGHT BE ME! IT'S TRUE DYKE WAS NOTHING BUT A MERCILESS CRIMINAL, BUT AFTER ALL, HE WAS MY FLESH AND BLOOD! I WOULDN'T KILL HIM!

AND I MIGHT HAVE, BUT I DIDN'T! YES, I BOUGHT A ROBAN I KEPT DRINKING TO PUT ENOUGH NERVE INTO ME! BUT SOME BODY ELSE DID THE DIRTY WORK FOR ME—AND MORE POWER TO WHOEVER IT WAS!

OKAY, INSPECTOR!



TAKE NEEDLE DOWN TO HEADQUARTERS AND BOOK HIM ON THE SULLIVAN LAW FOR THAT GUN HE WAS CARRYING!

THERE'S A CALL FOR YOU, INSPECTOR! IT'S HEADQUARTERS! THINGS ARE SURE STARTING TO POP!

WHAT'S THAT? TWO BODYGUARDS PHONED THE FRONT OFFICE AND SAID THEY PLUGGED DYKE AND WOULD NAME THE KILLER, IF WE PROMISE NOT TO GIVE THEM THE CHAIR—YOU'RE HAVING THE CALL TRACED NOW? GOOD—WE'LL BE RIGHT OWN!

I'VE GOT IMPORTANT BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO NOW, SO WE'LL CONTINUE THIS QUESTIONING LATER AT HEADQUARTERS! BOTH OF YOU BE DOWN THERE AT 9 SHARP TONIGHT!

I'LL REPEAT WHAT THE CHIEF SAID FOR YOUR BENEFIT! JUST IN CASE YOU NEED NEW BATTERIES!



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DO THE BEST YOU CAN!
JUST REMEMBER, EVERY
SECOND IT TAKES TO
LOCATE THAT PHONE
MAKES OUR MURDERER
HARDER TO CAPTURE!

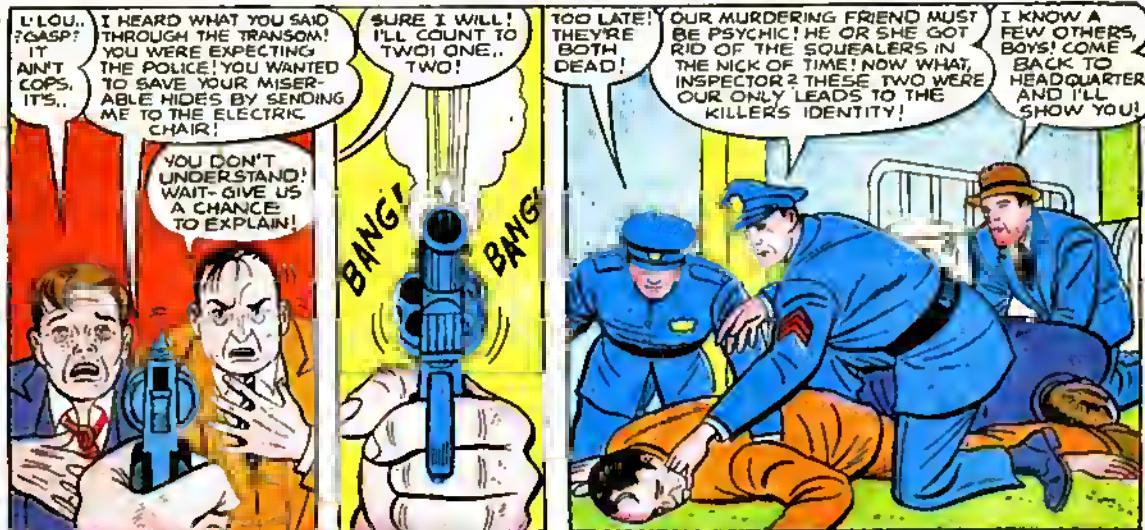
WHAT'S THE WORST THEY CAN DO TO US? GIVE US FIVE OR SIX YEARS IN THE BIG HOUSE! NO JUDGE OR JURY IS GOIN' TO GET EXCITED ABOUT EDDIE DYKE BEIN' SIX FEET UNDER! WE JUST DONE SOCIETY A FAVOR! WELL SAY HE WAS GUNNIN' FOR US AN' WE HAD TO SHOOT FIRST!

IT AIN'T THE LAW I'M SO WORRIED ABOUT! WE'LL DO ALL RIGHT TELLIN' 'EM WHO PAID FOR THE CROAKIN'! IT'S YOU-KNOW WHO THAT MIGHT COME AFTER US! WAIT A MINUTE! SOMEONE'S AT THE DOOR!

OPEN UP! THIS IS THE POLICE!



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LOOK WHO'S HERE, INSPECTOR! HE SLUGGED OFFICER FABER, BUT NOT HARD ENOUGH! FABER ALERTED THE FRONT OFFICE AND WE PICKED NEEDLE UP AT THE AIR TERMINAL! HE WAS BUYING A TICKET TO MEXICO CITY!



OUR POLICE HALL OF FAME



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LAST June in Yonkers, New York, the body of a woman was found at the edge of a park. She had been brutally beaten; her jaw was broken, her eyes were blackened and her face lacerated by her attacker. Twenty-nine minutes after her body had been discovered the Yonkers police made their arrest.

There are two things about this case which are unusual. One is that justice is not always so swift, though the Yonkers police record shows that crime there is punished quickly and certainly. The other (also part of the Yonkers record) is that such crimes don't often occur there. The incidence of crime in Yonkers is extremely low.

The reason for Yonkers' splendid record is a man named William J. Comey. His official title is Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety. This is the first time a member of the uniform force has been appointed a Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety and he's a man who respects his city as much as his city respects him. "Yonkers is a fine place to live," he says, "and that's one reason we have so little trouble here. It's the fifth largest city in the state, biggest city in Westchester County but there's certainly no crime problem. It's a good, clean city."

The Commissioner should know. Besides being the man who is right at the heart of what is happening in Yonkers, William Comey is a man who was born and raised there. He joined the Yonkers force as a patrolman in 1920. He was sent to police school in New York City, where one of his instructors, also a patrolman then, was the man who is today New York's Commissioner, Arthur J. Wallander.

Patrolman Comey, then 26 years old, there, upon began the long climb through the ranks that has brought him to the top. He was assigned to traffic and spent two and a half years there.

Then he began to move ahead. In 1926 he was in the detective division. In 1930 he was a Sergeant. In 1934, still a Sergeant, he was in charge of the radio division. In 1936 he became a Lieutenant. In 1944 he was put in com-

mand of the entire detective division. Three years later he was appointed Aide to the Commissioner of Public Safety, and then on July 2, 1947 he received his present appointment, Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety, in charge of Police.

At 55, he is a man who knows his work thoroughly and obviously loves it. He is a big man with iron grey hair, blue eyes, a big pleasant face, a firm chin and a quick, pleasant smile. When he talks, he speaks quietly, but firmly. He is alert to what the other fellow has to say, doesn't mind shifting subjects. You can tell he is a man other men like to speak to. You can tell he's a man who has spent a lot of time asking questions, too—but waiting quietly, patiently, for the answers; ready to sift them out and see what they mean.

He sticks to facts, whether about himself or his work. He doesn't like to tell about his own cases, or the cases his department has cracked. But if he has to, he'll talk about his department first, himself second.

While he is glad to discuss police methods, he likes best to talk about the humorous side of his work. "A detective often has to pick up a suspect without letting him know what he's wanted for. Sometimes a suspect will tip off somebody else. And there are times when you don't know just the man you want and you can't ask a lot of questions to help you identify him. If he is the wrong man, he may tip off the right one, who can then get away. I've used an idea that's worked pretty well. I remember one time we were looking for a man named Dave Gordon, one of five brothers. I thought I had him spotted, but if I'd picked the wrong brother, I'd have to let him go, and he'd surely warn the one we wanted."

"I waited until I had my man alone. He was standing on a street corner when I went up to him. 'Hello, Murphy,' I said. The man turned. 'You got the wrong person,' he told me, 'I'm not Murphy.' 'Of course you are,' I insisted, 'you're Tommy Murphy, I'd know you anywhere.' 'Listen,' he said, anxious to get away, 'my name is Dave Gordon,' and as he started to move off, I thanked him and remarked, 'You're just the Gordon I want. Come with me.'

"I've had other people give themselves away just because they thought they were safe. Another time I was looking for a young man who was mixed up in a burglary. He had been hiding out but we had a hunch that he would, at some time, get in touch with his family. One day I went to see his father. I introduced myself and told him I was looking for his son. I said that the boy had been in an automobile accident and had hit another car and driven off. The father insisted that his son was innocent and inquired about the time the accident had happened. About a half hour ago, I told him. That proved it, the father insisted. And then he told me that he had spoken to the son only a few minutes ago and that he had been miles away—in another town. I looked convinced. 'O.K.,' I said, 'if that's the case, he's in the clear, but bring him in and we'll clear it right up.'

"I went back to my office. Within an hour the father and son walked in, expecting to prove that the son had not been near the accident and also expecting to walk right out. Well, I thanked the father and booked the son. They saved me a lot of time and trouble."

What about the tough cases? "Well," the Commissioner explains, "it's police work, hard but routine police work, that solves the tough ones." Arson, he reports is the toughest, the hardest to prove; the crime that usually has no witnesses and few clues. But he's broken those, too. Next comes burglary and hold-ups. "Not long ago we had a double on that—a burglary and hold-up that also solved a number of other cases. A butcher store was burglarized and then ten days later, just as he was closing, the proprietor was held up by two men who came in with drawn guns. They took his cash and escaped in a car driven by a third man. We started an investigation and soon learned that a man with a criminal record lived in the neighborhood, was a customer of the store and had become friendly enough

with the owner to know the closing time and approximate daily receipts. We placed him under close surveillance and found that he was frequently seen with two other young men. At an opportune time we questioned all three. One had a gun concealed on him. They admitted two robberies and four burglaries. All were convicted and imprisoned. The man who had the gun had stolen it in a burglary in Massachusetts, where he lived. He was an ex-convict and wanted in his own state. That was a case that tied up a lot of loose ends."

The Commissioner has set up a new system in Yonkers to make sure that it doesn't take long to bring in those who break the law. He gets reports every morning on every complaint made to his department. And he can pick up report slips on any and every case to find out just how it is being handled—or was handled. He's got the whole city "right" at his finger tips, every minute of the day.

He is proud of that, of course, and of his force and of his city. But perhaps he is proudest of his work with youngsters. He likes the Juvenile Aid Bureau which handles juvenile cases quickly, in cooperation with parents and without subjecting juvenile offenders to jail sentences that may ruin their lives. He is also proud of the small percentage of juvenile offenses in Yonkers. "We help boys and girls," he said, "by the Police Athletic League, by motion pictures, by having a big party with Gene Autry here once a year, by athletic programs and by being friends."

"Juvenile delinquency? Well, we have some, of course, but I'll tell you; it's the conditions in the home that cause it. 99% of it is caused by bad home environment or by divided families. The home is the keystone of the nation. And if the home is all right, the children are all right."

Sitting in the Commissioner's sparsely furnished office in the big Police Headquarters building you have the feeling that this is a man who knows the answers to keeping things all right. You feel that he's being part of a good team. When you ask him about the toughest part of his job, he smiles. "Well, we have 32 vacancies that I'd like to see filled. We could use more men on school traffic." Safety for the people of Yonkers is his main concern. Safety all around—and as he says, Yonkers is a fine place to live.

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ON THE LEVEL

by C.H. MOORE

SEVERAL HOMES WERE ROBBED IN Bridgeport, Conn. — A YOUNG NEWSPAPER REPORTER COVERING THE CASE GAVE THE ROBBER THE NICKNAME 'MATCH BURGLAR' BECAUSE BURNED HAIR WERE FOUND AT THE SCENE OF EACH ROBBERY — A PAWN BROKER CALLED THE POLICE — HE HAD RECEIVED SOME OF THE STOLEN JEWELRY — WHEN THE POLICE AND THE REPORTER APPEARED AT THE PAWN SHOP, THE MAN POINTED EXCITEDLY AT THE REPORTER AND SAID —

"HE'S THE MAN THAT BROUGHT IN THE STOLEN JEWELS!" A SEARCH OF HIS POCKETS REVEALED MORE STOLEN GOODS — THE REPORTER WAS THE ROBBER. HE DID IT FOR BIG BUCKS — HE GOT A SMALL CELL!

A PIECE OF STRING WAS

THE ONLY CLUE FOUND AT THE SCENE OF A CRIME IN Berkeley, Calif., AN ANALYSIS OF THE DUST SHAKEN FROM IT REVEALED THAT IT CAME FROM A FARM CONTAINING PINE TREES, RARE PLANTS, A JERSEY COW, A SORREL HORSE, BLACK AND WHITE RABBITS AND RHODE ISLAND RED CHICKENS —

HIGH-TECH INVESTIGATION, DETECTIVES WERE ABLE TO LOCATE THE FARM AND CAPTURE THE CRIMINAL?

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DYING OF CURIOSITY

MRS. BOWDEN, Portland, Ore., HAD BEEN CONSTANTLY WARNED BY HER HUSBAND — NOT TO OPEN THE TRUNK IN THE BASEMENT — HE TALKED ABOUT IT SO MUCH THAT IT AROUSED HER CURIOSITY — WHEN HE WENT FISHING ONE WEEK-END SHE OPENED IT! IT BLEW UP THE HOUSE AND SHE WAS KILLED —

JAMES BOWDEN KNEW THAT SHE WOULD BE CURIOUS — HE IS SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE, THE POLICE WERE ABLE TO FIGURE OUT HIS BOOBY-TRAP TRUNK FROM STUDYING THE RUINS OF THE HOUSE!



THE RAJAH OF COUNTERFEITERS

IN 1893 INDIA WAS BEING FLOODED WITH BOGUS MONEY OF LARGE DENOMINATIONS — SO EXPERT WERE THESE IMITATIONS THAT THE BANK OFFICIALS HAD DIFFICULTY IN SPOTTING THEM — THE LEADER OF THE COUNTERFEITING RING WAS THE SUBJECT OF ONE OF THE GREATEST AND LONGEST MANHAULS IN HISTORY — GOVIND NARAYEN DIVRIA WAS AN UNDERWORLD CHARACTER WITH HIS OWN PALACE, HAREM, SLAVES, MUSICIANS, FAKIRS AND MAGICIANS — HE WAS ONE OF THE MOST ELUSIVE THIEVES OF ALL TIME, BUT THE INDIA SECRET SERVICE DID FINALLY CATCH HIM — ON HIS FIRST NIGHT IN JAIL DIVRIA BLEW OUT THE LIGHT OF HIS KEROSENE LAMP, POURED THE KEROSENE OVER HIS CLOTHES AND SET FIRE TO HIMSELF — HE DIED OF BURNS! ONCE MORE HE SUCCEEDED IN ELUDING THE POLICE BUT ONLY BY DESTROYING HIMSELF!

C.H. MOORE

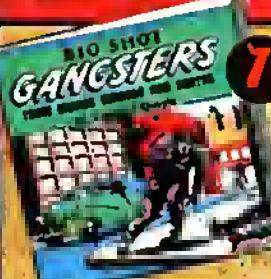


MADELINE FISHER LOVELY BLONDE FIANCÉE OF LORD JACKSON, A BRITISH PERFUME MANUFACTURER OF GREAT WEALTH, RAN OFF WITH JEWELS AND A LARGE SUM OF MONEY! FIVE YEARS PASSED AND THE POLICE ASKED LORD JACKSON TO ACCOMPANY THEM TO GERMANY TO IDENTIFY A GIRL BELIEVED TO BE MADELINE FISHER — WHEN HE CONFRONTED THE GIRL HE WAS CONVINCED THAT THIS GIRL WITH JET HAIR AND A COLD STARE WAS NOT MADELINE — BUT

SUDDENLY HE TURNED TO THE POLICE AND SAID — "THAT'S MADELINE! ARREST HER! SHE'S WEARING A SPECIAL PERFUME I HAD MADE FOR HER ONLY!" SHE WAS SCENT'D TO SAIL!

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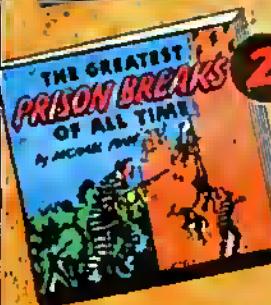


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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

As a social worker in Jacksonville, it is a pleasure to inform you that since we put CRIME DOES NOT PAY in the local youth center, petty thievery and pranks are practically unknown in our town.

One of the best sections of your magazine is the Whodunnit. It shows the youngsters that even the cleverest and most cunning of criminals are always caught in the end.

Very truly yours, J. Arthur Wurtsbough
351 Sandusky St., Jacksonville, Illinois

Congratulations to the editors of CRIME DOES NOT PAY. This magazine is combatting juvenile delinquency throughout the United States and Canada. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely, Stuart McEvoy
4382 Harvard Ave., N.D.G.
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

I read your CRIME DOES NOT PAY comics and can really say, "There is not a comic in the world like it." Although I read a few other comics, I think that there is nothing more interesting, exciting and fun to read than CRIME DOES NOT PAY. Every boy and girl should read this comic and I'm sure that of the crimes that are committed, a lot could be prevented if this magazine could be placed in the hands of the boys and girls soon enough.

I wish that CRIME DOES NOT PAY could be published each week; I can hardly wait for the next edition to hit the stands.

A fan, Roger K. Arnold
9 Monell St., Greene, New York

No letter of fifty words could tell you how much I enjoy CRIME DOES NOT PAY. I think it is the magazine that has done the most to prevent the spread of juvenile delinquency.

Please don't omit Whodunnit from your grand publication as it is one of my favorite features.

Your most ardent fan, Anita Louise Alibertini
285 Washington St.
Quincy, Massachusetts

I am writing to thank you for the wonderful work your magazine, CRIME DOES NOT PAY, is doing. It helps and encourages youngsters to lead a better and honest life. The stories are exciting and the drawings are more realistic than any other comics ever published. CRIME DOES NOT PAY comics is an effective method of fighting juvenile delinquency.

Yours truly, Serge Fibroani
776 Ogilvy Ave., Montreal, Quebec
Canada

CRIME DOES NOT PAY is wonderful because it makes good citizens out of potential bad ones. It teaches you that you cannot get away with crime and shows how futile it is to try.

Thank you for all you are doing to help curb juvenile delinquency.

Sincerely, Patricia Postelwait
Seth, West Virginia

My mother was always against my reading comic books, so in order to convince her that she was wrong, I persuaded her to read CRIME DOES NOT PAY. After reading the magazine, she told me that she thinks that CRIME DOES NOT PAY is a very good factor in the fight against juvenile delinquency and that I could read it whenever I wanted to.

Yours truly, Jeanette Goldberg
40 East 52 St., Brooklyn, New York

I am, at last, taking the opportunity to express my opinion of your five terrific magazines. They are the cleanest, most wholesome books of their kind. They stand for righteousness, and they are extremely enjoyable and relaxing. I can truly say that if a lot of youngsters and oldsters alike would read these comics, they would be far better Americans. Our son, when old enough to read, shall be allowed to read only such magazines as yours.

Sincerely yours,
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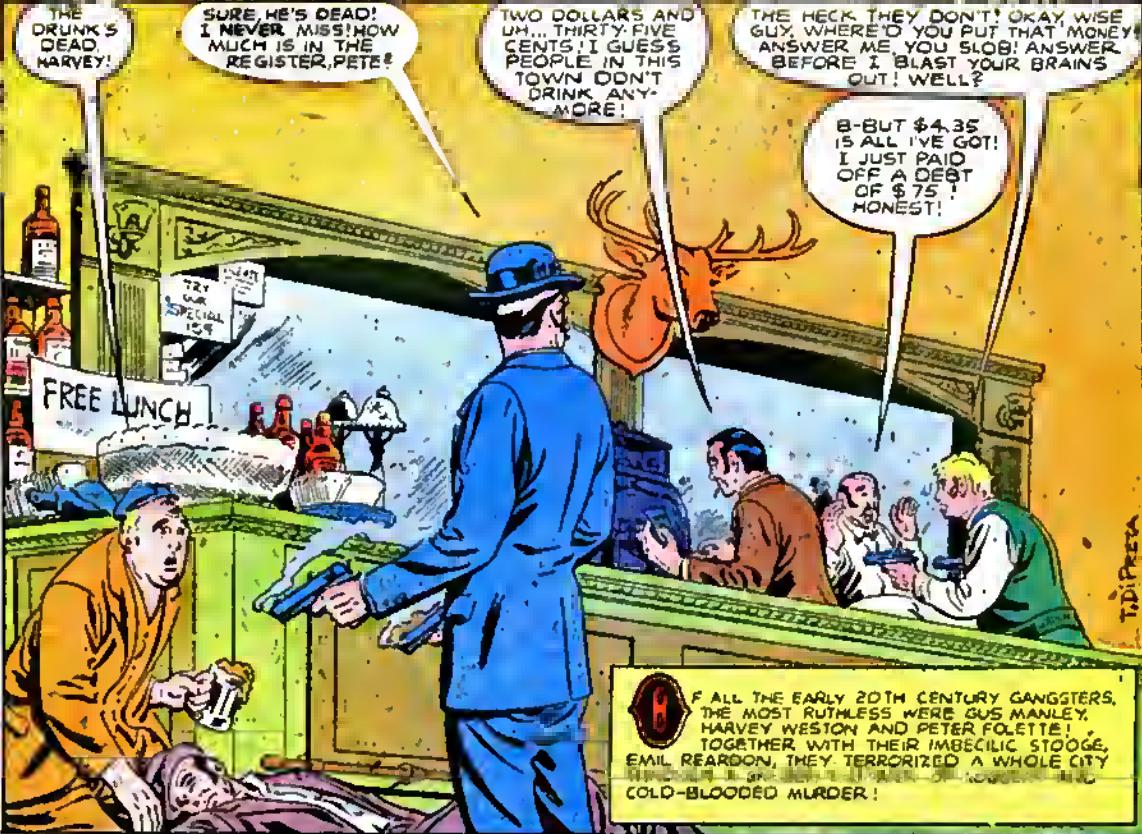


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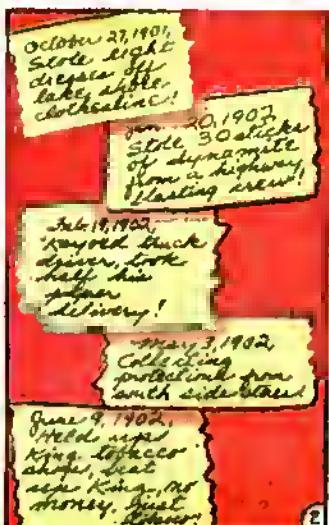
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F ALL THE EARLY 20TH CENTURY GANGSTERS, THE MOST RUTHLESS WERE GUS MANLEY, HARVEY WESTON AND PETER FOLETTE! TOGETHER WITH THEIR IMBECILE STOOGES, EMIL REARDON, THEY TERRORIZED A WHOLE CITY WITH COLD-BLOODED MURDER!



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THEY'RE BRUTAL—THEY'RE MEAN... THEY'O BRAIN ANY ONE OF US FOR A BUCK, BUT THEY GET THINGS DONE! I DON'T KNOW WHEN I'VE BEEN SO FLUSH! YA KNOW WHAT I'M CARRYIN' NOW? FIFTY BUCKS... WHEN DID I HAVE \$50 AT ONE TIME?

BUT IT'S STILL ONLY THE SUCKERS' SHARE—OUR SO-CALLED PRESIDENT TAKE TEN TIMES WHAT WE GET—AND WE DO ALL THE DIRTY WORK!

SHHHH... THEY'RE COMING NOW!

I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU BUMS, YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN AFTER TONIGHT! YOUR THREE PRESIDENTS ARE RESIGNIN'!

W-WHAT? ARE YOU KIDDING?

SURE, WE'RE KIDDING—LIKE THE TIME I THREW SAP-FACE OFF THE STAIRCASE!

BUT WHY? DID WE DO SOMETHING WRONG?

YOU DO EVERYTHING WRONG! YOU CLUCKS HAVE NO BUSINESS HEISTING! THE BIGGEST JOB YOU'VE EVER PULLED WAS THE TIME YOU BUSTED INTO THAT NEW BUILDING ON ASHBURN STREET AND STOLE \$100 WORTH OF LEAD PIPE AND BRASS FITTINGS!

SO WHAT? WE DO WHATEVER YOU TELL US TO! WHY DON'T YOU FIGURE OUT SOME BIG JOBS FOR US?

YOU LUGGS AIN'T CAPABLE OF PULLIN' OFF A BIG JOB!

I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU STRAIGHT! YOU GUYS ARE SMALL TIME! YOU TIE US DOWN! YOU'LL NEVER BE ANYTHING BUT A PACK OF CREEPS! THE SOONER WE SPLIT UP WITH YOU THE SOONER WE'LL START MAKING REAL DOLIGH!

WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT BEFORE YOU TOOK US IN? YOU PLAYED US FOR SUCKERS! WE DID ALL THE DIRTY WORK FOR PEANUTS WHILE YOU PULLED IN THE LION'S SHARE FOR SITTING BACK AND INSULTING US!

WE'VE TAKEN ENOUGH FROM YOU, LUGGS! C'MON BOYS! GIVE IT TO 'EM!

OWWW! I LOST MY CHEWIN' GUM!

DON'T WORRY! YOU WON'T HAVE ANY TEETH LEFT TO CHEW WITH!

SO YOU'RE THE GUYS WHO WERE SO TOUGH! WE WOULD'VE BEEN BETTER OFF ON OUR OWN!



A VERY BRIGHT IDEA OF YOURS, GIVING THEM THE AIR, HARVEY! OWW! MY HEAD!

YEAH, VERY BRIGHT! WE'RE LUCKY THEY DIDN'T KILL US—WHICH THEY WOULDVE IF THEY HAD GUNS!

THEY CLEANED US OUT TO THE LAST PENNY—SAY, SPEAKING OF GUNS, PETE, THAT'S SOME THING WE NEED BAD!

YOU CAN'T BE BIG TIME WITHOUT GUNS! LOOK UP THE NEAREST PLACE THAT SELLS GUNS!

AND NOT JUST ANY KIND OF GUNS, WE WANT THEM NEW AUTOMATICs; THOSE BLACK SHINY THINGS—DID YOU FIND THE ADDRESS YET, PETE?

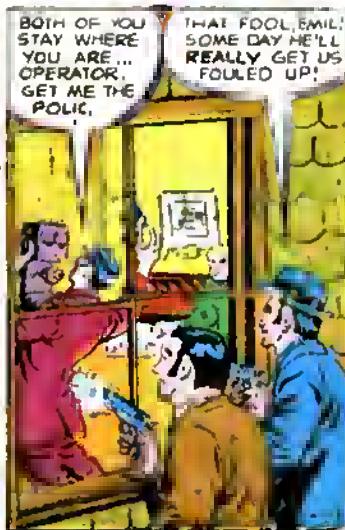
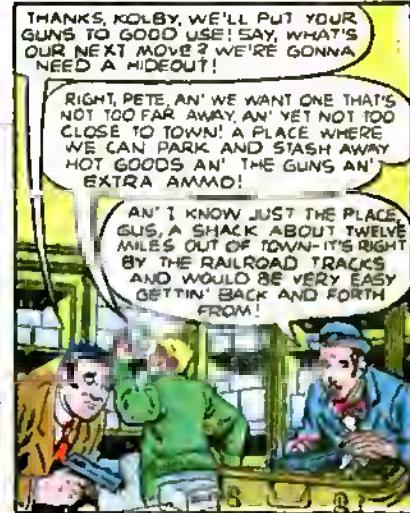
SURE, THESE ARE JUST WHAT WE WANT! WE'LL TAKE A DOZEN OF THEM AND 500 ROUNDS OF AMMO.

THAT COMES TO A LOT OF MONEY, GENTLEMEN! ER., ARE YOU SURE YOU CAN PAY FOR THEM?

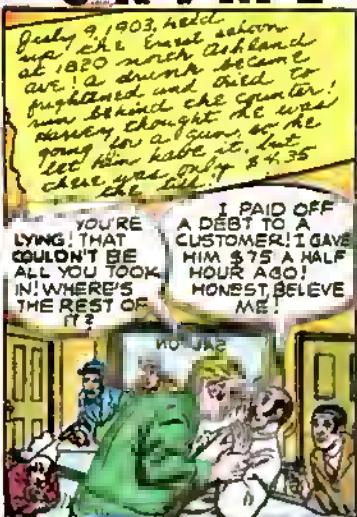
POSITIVE! MONEY'S NO OBJECT! YOU JUST BRING THE GUNS OUT, MISTER!



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July 20, There just isn't much money in town! Held up Peter Gruber's saloon! Harvey filled back the lake here when \$25.

NOT EVEN A CLIFF-LINK TO SWELL THE POT!

WELL, AT LEAST THE DRINKS ARE ON THE HOUSE! TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH, GENTS!



Aug. 2, stuck up the store belonging to Benjamin La Cross, bid to kill La Cross and a customer named Andy Johnson! They needed likely murder... or mardon is what they got!

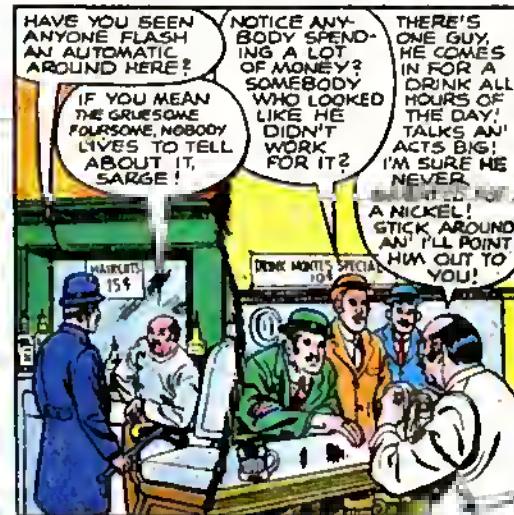
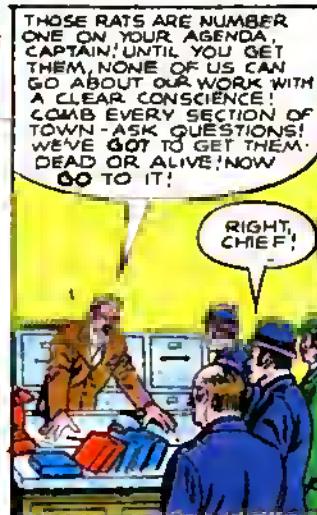
I'VE NEVER ENCOUNTERED SUCH FEROCITY IN MY CAREER! IT'S THE SAME IN ALMOST EVERY CASE; A STORE KEEPER SHOT TO DEATH WITH AUTOMATIC PISTOLS... AND FOR A PALTRY FEW DOLLARS!



THE COPS MUST BE GETTIN' WISE TO US! THEY'VE DOUBLED THEIR DETAILS!



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